



## TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD

### AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**To:** Town Council

**From:** Matt Hart, Town Manager

**Date:** December 11, 2018

**CC:** R. Palmer, Director of Plant and Facilities

**Subject:** Resolution (Hart) to Appropriate \$200,000 of Energy Rebates in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget of the Capital Projects Fund. (1364)

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**Background:** In 2016, the Town made a substantial investment in energy conservation to fund the implementation of energy projects identified in an Investment Grade Audit conducted by Ameresco. These projects included street lighting, interior and exterior lighting, lighting controls, and building control systems installed in multiple buildings. The capital budget included planned use of rebates from the Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund. The Town has been very successful in applying for and receiving these rebates; while we anticipated receiving rebates of \$1,480,000, we have actually received \$1,783,000 to date. Of this \$303,000 favorable variance, the Council has previously appropriated \$90,000 and this resolution would appropriate an additional \$200,000.

**Operational Impact:** Adoption of this resolution would provide funding for additional energy conservation projects focused on the installation of LED lighting.

**Financial Impact:** Town Council adoption of this resolution would have a direct fiscal impact on the fiscal year 2018/19 budget of the Capital Projects Fund. Estimated revenue from reimbursements would increase \$200,000, with a corresponding appropriation for energy conservation.

**Legal Review:** Corporation Counsel's office has reviewed and approved the form and legality of the proposed resolution.

**Project Schedule:** The Town would commence the project upon adoption of the resolution.

**Recommendation:** In order to appropriate the rebates for additional energy conservation projects, staff recommends Council approval of the attached resolution.

**Attachments:** See attached resolution.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE \$200,000 OF ENERGY REBATES IN THE  
FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of West Hartford is committed to investing in energy conservation improvements as part of its overall energy management strategy; and

**WHEREAS**, in keeping with this commitment, West Hartford has completed numerous projects to conserve energy and reduce utility costs including street lighting, interior and exterior lighting, lighting controls, and building control system upgrade projects in both town and school buildings; and

**WHEREAS**, these projects qualified under the Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund program that Eversource administers, enabling West Hartford to apply for energy rebates; and

**WHEREAS**, West Hartford has received energy rebates in excess of anticipated reimbursements, with \$200,000 available for additional energy conservation projects;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD** that the use of \$200,000 in energy rebates for additional energy conservation projects is approved and the fiscal year 2018-2019 Capital Projects Fund budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase Revenue

41-811615-80001-9361	Miscellaneous Reimbursements	\$200,000
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Increase Appropriation

41-811615-80001-3091	Energy Conservation	\$200,000
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